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Sir:

In response to an Official Office Action of January 10, 2007, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on April 10, 2007, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections in view herein contain amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this Response.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this Response.